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DATA RECORDER FROM SUNKEN CARGO SHIP EL FARO RECOVERED

1 The data recorder from the cargo ship El Faro, which sank near the Bahamas during a Caribbean hurricane last October, has been recovered, offering possible answers about why the vessel went down, the U.S. National Transportation Safety Board said on Tuesday. The device, found late on Monday on the ocean floor after 10 months of searching, could provide navigational data and communications between crew members that could help determine what happened in the final hours before the 790-foot ship sank, officials said. REUTERS

US APPROVES $1.15B SALE OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO SAUDI ARABIA

2 The State Department has approved the potential sale of more than 130 Abrams battle tanks, 20 armored recovery vehicles and other equipment, worth about $1.15 billion, to Saudi Arabia, the Pentagon said. The approval for land force equipment comes at a time when Saudi Arabia is leading a military coalition in support of Yemeni forces loyal to the exiled government of President Abd-Rabbu Mansour Hadi who are trying to oust Iran-allied Houthi forces from the capital, Sanaa. The coalition's air strikes have come under criticism from rights groups for the deaths of civilians. The U.S. Defense Security Cooperation Agency, which oversees foreign arms sales, said that General Dynamics will be the principal contractor for the sale, adding it would contribute to U.S. national security by improving the security of a regional partner. REUTERS

US JUDGE UPHOLDS 14-YEAR SENTENCE FOR EX-ILLINOIS GOVERNOR

3 A federal judge on Tuesday upheld the 14-year prison sentence for ex-Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich despite his emotional plea for leniency after an appeals court set aside part of his public corruption conviction. U.S. District Court Judge James Zagel ruled Blagojevich must remain in a Colorado prison, siding with the demand by prosecutors that he serve out his original, full term through 2024. "I am sympathetic to ... how painful this situation is to them," Zagel said, referring to Blagojevich's family. "But as I said four years ago, the fault lies with the governor." Seeking a five-year sentence that would enable him to leave prison quickly, Blagojevich, 59, apologized for his wrongdoing and the way he "fought back" against the government. REUTERS

Peril in the parks

A report from a watchdog group claims the danger is increasing as it details crimes, violent crimes by park; NYPD says parks are safest place in city.

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Tunnel in Prospect Park, Brooklyn GETTY IMAGES

In the last nine months, violent crime in New York City parks has increased 23 percent compared with the previous nine months, according to a new report that broke down the statistics to reveal which parks reported the most crimes and the most violence.

The new report, released by NYC Park Advocates, does not include Central Park, which has its own police precinct, but it does analyze park crimes across the five boroughs and breaks down the results by park and type of crime. In the last nine months of crime statistics provided by NYPD, eight murders, 17 rapes, 289 robberies and 189 felony assaults were reported in the city's parks.

Most dangerous NYC parks

Analyzing NYPD statistics that date from April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016, NYC Park Advocates found that Flushing Meadows Corona Park in Queens had the most crime while Crotona Park in the Bronx had the most violent crimes.

During that period, Crotona Park was the scene of 23 violent crimes while Claremont Park, also in the Bronx, had 21 reported violent incidents, according to NYC Park Advocates. Flushing Meadows Corona Park had 49 total crimes while Manhattan's Riverside Park reported 40.

Other parks on the list included Brooklyn's Prospect Park, which had 16 violent crimes and 30 overall crimes, and Manhattan's Union Square Park, which reported 18 total crimes, NYC Park Advocates stated. Rufus King Park in Queens totaled the highest number of reported rapes, with three.

"More than a person a day is the victim of a violent crime in a city park," Geoffrey Croft, founder of NYC Park Advocates, said to The Wall Street Journal. "It's a bad omen. It shows a lack of priority in dealing with this."

Numbers and methodology

The first nine-month sample used by Croft's group includes July 2014 to March 2015. The second sample set of months used for comparison include July 2015 to March of this year.

From July 1, 2014, to March 31, 2015, 340 violent crimes — an average of 37 murders, rapes, robberies or felony assaults per month — were reported by the NYPD. From July 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016, 503 violent crimes — an average of 59 per month — were reported.

Croft said those numbers don't include crimes not reported by victims who might be illegal immigrants, those who fear retaliation and crimes that were downgraded. Croft gave the example of a purse snatching that took place in Kissena Corridor Park about two months ago. A woman was robbed while with her 4-year-old son, according to Croft, but the charges were reduced to burglary.

The police disagree

NYPD Deputy Commissioner, Public Information Lieutenant John Grimpel disputes Croft's numbers. Grimpel claims that 891 crimes took place in city parks out of 105,456 total crimes in 2015. From January to March, he claims 108 crimes were committed in parks out of 23,248 crimes committed in the City of New York. Extrapolating from Grimpel's numbers for the wintery months, 2016 would average 432 crimes in parks out of 92,992 crimes reported in the five boroughs.

891
CRIMES IN CITY PARKS

105K
OUT OF 105,456 TOTAL CRIMES IN THE CITY, ACCORDING TO THE NYPD

"Less than one half of 1 percent of crime happens in parks," Grimpel said.

J. Peter Donald, assistant commissioner of DCPI, echoed that statement.

"Last year was the safest year in New York City history," Donald said, adding that city parks "are by far the safest place in the entire universe."

Donald explained that 14 percent of the city's land is a city park, so the numbers average out to "fewer than one crime per park per year."

Call for increase in funds, patrols

Croft is sticking to his data and said what the city needs to do is allocate funds to Park Enforcement Patrol, especially during the parks' peak season. He said that sources in the Parks Department told him that only two park enforcement patrol officers were dispatched to cover the entire borough of Queens last Friday.

Parks Enforcement Union Local 983 President Joe Puleo said patrol numbers like that are "more common than not" during the summer months.

"It's alarming because we've been complaining for a very long time," Puleo said, explaining that most of the summer patrols are used to cover the beaches and swimming pools.

Citing an increase in city population, tourism and "stay-cations," Puleo said the city's parks are being used more than ever. He added that some funding has come from the mayor's office, but city council said crime in parks in "not a priority" and that the city is in "complete denial."

[Park-goers] have a right to be safe," he said.

A representative from the mayor's office said in a statement: "Crime across the city is at an all-time low — and crimes in parks remain rare. Just like they do on the streets, NYPD is focusing resources on trouble spots using a model of precision policing that has made our city the safest big city in America."

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Toddler injured in brawl

A 3-year-old boy was injured when a street fighter outside a Brooklyn deli threw a bottle and missed his target, hitting the child instead.

Around 9 a.m. on Tuesday morning, when a group of people started arguing on the street near the corner of Fifth Avenue and 60th Street in Sunset Park, one man threw a glass bottle that hit the 3-year-old, who was seated in a stroller at the time, officials said to the New York Daily News. The child and his mother began screaming.

"She was crying. … He was cut on the head. He was bleeding. She had a napkin on his head," Ali Abdullah, 25, who works at the nearby deli, told the Daily News, which added that the child was taken to Lutheran Medical Center with a deep cut above his right eye.

"He tried to hit the other guy, and he hit the baby," Yaha Althera, 60, described the fight to DNAinfo. "He got the bottle in the face."

No arrests have been made. JASON NUCKOLLS

Report: NYC is nation's least pet-friendly city

NYC had higher pet insurance premiums than any other city.

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What's a park without pooches? Not uncommon in New York City. CREATIVE COMMONS

It may be hard to turn the corner in New York City without seeing a dog going for a walk, but even in a place where buildings have amenities just for pets, it's not friendly for our furry friends.

A new report from WalletHub compared the pet-friendliness of the 100 largest cities across 19 key metrics, including number of pet businesses per capita, pet-friendly restaurants per capita and veterinary costs.

New York City earned an overall score of 24.49, putting it dead last for pet-friendliness. Its "pet budget" and "pet health and wellness" ranking were also last, and its outdoor pet-friendliness landed in the middle among cities.

24.49
NYC'S SCORE

100
NYC WAS LAST OF 100 CITIES

Pet health and wellness counted for half of the overall score, and took into account number of vets, pet caretakers and businesses, as well as pet-friendliness of the rental market and single-family detached households. But New York City ranked particularly low when it came to the budget categories — coming in at 93 for highest veterinary costs and 100 for highest pet insurance premiums.

"Adding a pet to the family roster can strike a hard blow to the owner's wallet. A litany of expenses — including licenses, grooming and medical care — can cost between $235 to nearly $2,000 annually, depending on the type of animal. Health insurance alone can exceed $200 per year for a dog, and it may not even be worth it. And if you rent an apartment with an animal, you can expect to pay hundreds, if not thousands, more for a pet deposit, fee and rent," WalletHub wrote in its report.

If you're looking for a more pet-friendly, or even just budget-friendly city, then try Orlando, Florida; Birmingham, Alabama; and Tampa, Florida, which ranked in the top three on WalletHub's list.

Police: Bronx bodega worker killed by man who took NYPD officer's gun

A Bronx store clerk was fatally shot by a man who had grabbed an officer's gun as police were trying to defuse a confrontation that began over the sale of phone chargers.

Around 2:30 a.m. Tuesday near the corner of Valentine Avenue and East 198th Street in the Bedford Park neighborhood of the Bronx, Effrain Guzman, 30, was kicked out of a bodega after a 49-year-old employee caught him trying to sell phone chargers, police said to NY1. Guzman then went into another shop across the street but was followed by the store worker who had just kicked him out, who wanted to warn others about Guzman.

The corner of Valentine Avenue and East 198th Street GOOGLE MAPS

Inside the second store, Guzman allegedly got into a dispute with clerks and customers, and two officers on patrol were flagged down to help with the situation, CBS2 reported. A struggle began as the two officers were leading Guzman from the store.

"As the officers were escorting Mr. Guzman out of the store, Mr. Guzman was able to grab a gun from one of the officer's holsters. The officer struggled with Mr. Guzman to regain control of his gun when the second officer fired three shots at Mr. Guzman, striking him twice," NYPD Assistant Chief Larry Nikunen said to CBS2.

During the struggle, Guzman was able to fire numerous shots from the officer's gun, NY1 stated. One of those shots fatally struck the bodega employee who had followed Guzman across the street to warn others.

"One of the officers looked like he was trying to protect the civilian who was ultimately killed," Nikunen said to CBS2. "He was shielding and trying to push him away as Mr. Guzman was firing shots in the store."

The bodega worker was pronounced dead at an area hospital, and Guzman was taken to St. Barnabas Hospital in stable condition, according to NY1, which added that both of the officers involved in the incident were also taken to St. Barnabas for evaluation. JASON NUCKOLLS

SUBWAY STABBING

Homophobic slurs lead to NYC subway stabbing, street chase

Police are looking for a man who they say stabbed a subway rider during a confrontation that began when the suspect allegedly yelled homophobic slurs aboard a northbound 2 train.

Around 7 p.m. on Saturday, the suspect shouted slurs at a man, 28, as the two were on a 2 train arriving at the 110th Street station, according to police. When the train's doors were open to the platform, the suspect punched the victim in the face, and the victim then followed the suspect off the train.

Surveillance of the suspect PROVIDED

On the platform, the two began fighting and the suspect stabbed the victim before running to the street, police reported. The victim chased the suspect onto the street, where the suspect stabbed him again.

The suspect, described by police as a Hispanic man who was approximately 6-foot-1 and 155 pounds, then fled east on West 109th Street. He was last seen in a white T-shirt and blue jeans with a dark green backpack.

Anyone with information in regards to this incident is asked to call the NYPD Crime Stoppers hotline at 1-800-577-TIPS or, for Spanish, 1-888-57-PISTA. The public can also submit their tips by logging on to the Crime Stoppers website at NYPDCrimeStoppers.com. JASON NUCKOLLS

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Bill Nye, QuestLove light up skyline for National Park Service centennial

A New York City first will take place at the end of August. Bill Nye the science guy, Questlove and New Yorkers are invited to join together to control the color of the lights on the One World Trade Center spire to celebrate the National Park Service centennial.

Since the National Park Service is turning 100, Brooklyn Bridge Park and One World Trade Center are partnering up for a celebration on Aug. 22 from 1 to 10 p.m. New Yorkers are invited to control the giant digital circuit board that controls the color of the lights of One World Trade Center's spire.

Nye will host the interactive color-changing experience from 7:45 to 10 p.m.

Ramblin' Dan and his kid-friendly band will play from 2 to 4 p.m. and Questlove spins from 8 to 10 p.m. A surprise performer is set to keep the music going in between.

Did we mention free ice cream?

Brooklyn Ice Cream Factory will host an ice cream social with national park-themed flavors from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

The family friendly free and public event is part of the #FindYourPark/#EncuentraTuParque movement, which invites people from all backgrounds to discover and share their own unique connections to our nation's natural landscapes, vibrant culture and rich history.

Find Your Park is a national nonprofit partner to the National Park Service, which directly supports the more than 400 national parks across the country, according to Find Your Park's website.

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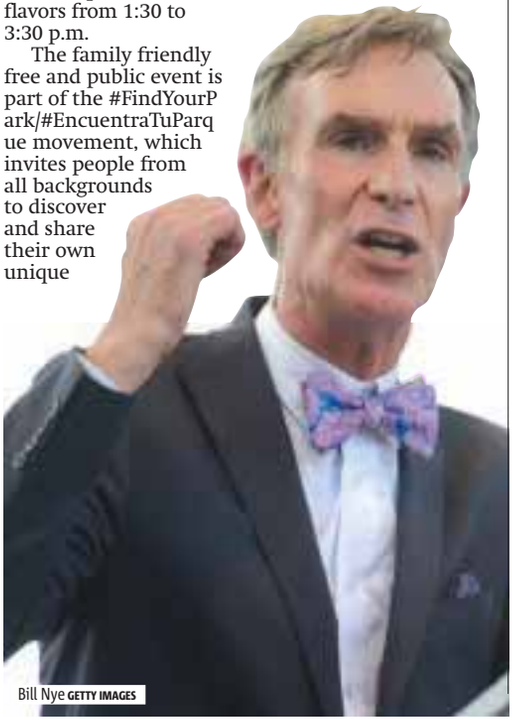

Bill Nye GETTY IMAGES

Bronx man indicted on more than 1,000 counts of child porn

Raymond Fontanez, 41, of Mott Haven, faces 28 months to seven years in prison if convicted.

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A Bronx man has been indicted on child porn charges after he was caught with more than 500 videos and images featuring children as young as 3 years old, prosecutors said.

Raymond Fontanez, 41, of Mott Haven, has been indicted on 1,020 counts of promoting an obscene sexual performance by a child, promoting a sexual performance by a child, possessing an obscene sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child in connection to videos he shared and kept on his computer, according to the Bronx district attorney's office.

"The defendant allegedly had hundreds of disturbing, revolting videos of young children — even toddlers — engaged in sexual acts. Each of those images amounts to child abuse, and each time they are played or shared the children are re-victimized, so the cruelty never ends for them," DA Darcel D. Clark said.

Investigators allegedly discovered an IP address offering to share 10 images and videos of child pornography, which was then traced to a computer in Fontanez's apartment. Detectives obtained a search warrant and retrieved Fontanez's laptop, which they say contained more than 500 videos and images of child pornography.

Fontanez faces 28 months to seven years in prison if convicted.

The materials were digital images and video found on a computer. GETTY IMAGES

"Each of those images amounts to child abuse, and each time they are played or shared the children are revictimized, so the cruelty never ends for them."

Clark

Man, 62, says he was attacked for wearing Donald Trump shirt

A 62-year-old man claims he was attacked with a crowbar in a New Jersey parking lot for wearing a Donald Trump shirt.

The victim was walking on West Passaic Avenue in Bloomfield, New Jersey, just before 6 p.m. Wednesday when a man in a car questioned the Trump supporter about his shirt and cursed at him, North Jersey.com reported.

According to police, the suspect followed the victim into a Friendly's parking lot and got out of the car before attacking him with a crowbar.

A Friendly's employee reported a different sequence of events, according to NBC New York. The waitress said the 62-year-old man called the suspect a slur and told him he shouldn't be at the restaurant.

After separating the men, she said the man who was verbally attacked waited in the parking lot for the man in the Trump shirt to come out, where he subsequently assaulted him with the crowbar.

The man in the Trump shirt was reportedly treated at the scene for injuries on his forearms, hands and thighs. The suspect left the parking lot before authorities arrived.

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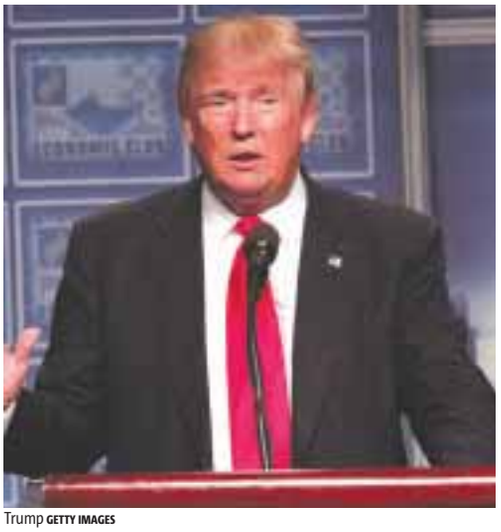

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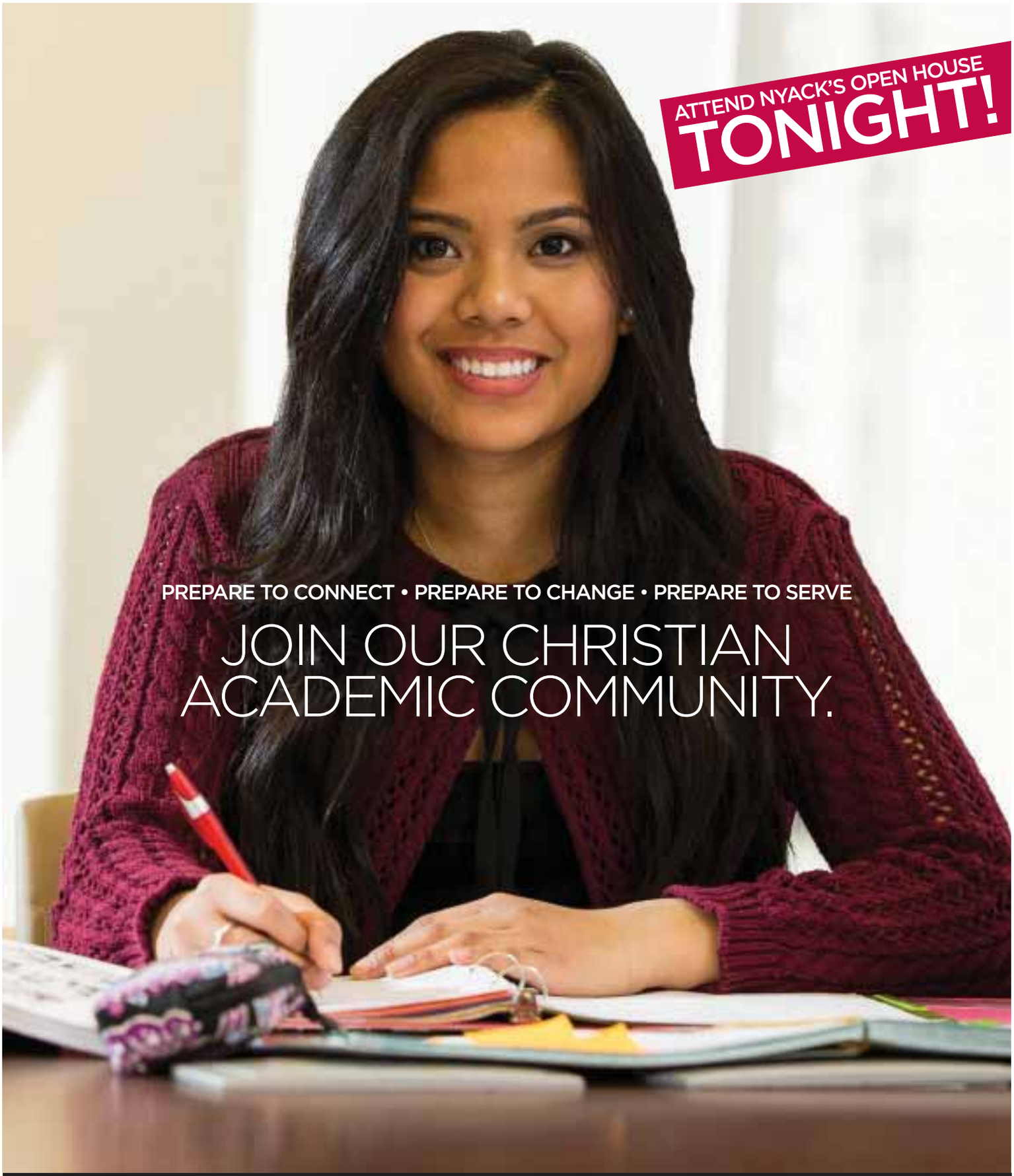
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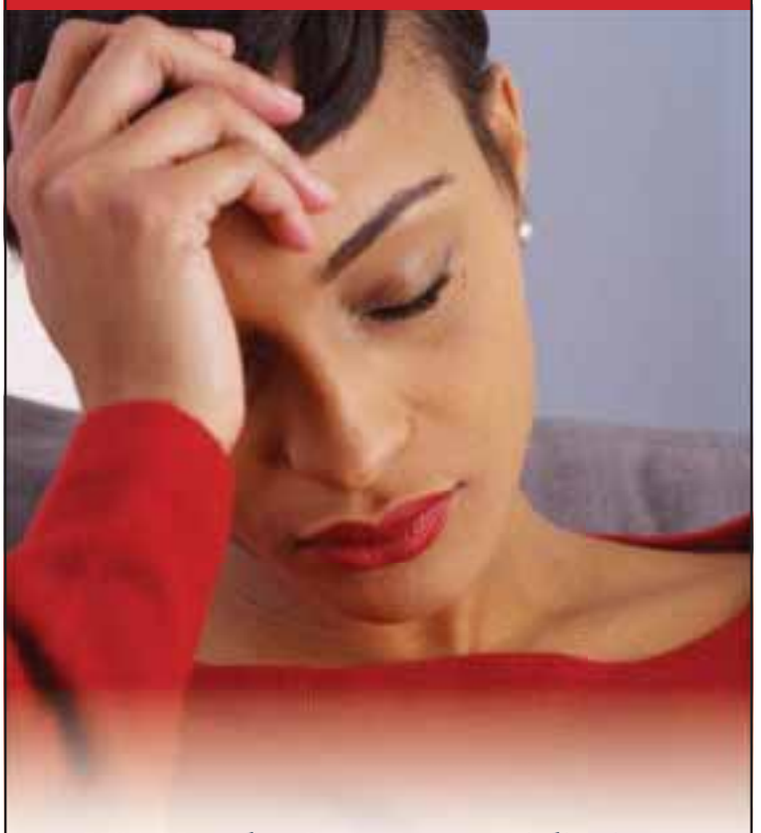

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Staten Island lawn 'T'

New York artist Scott LoBaido (Top) works on a 'Patriotic Lawn T' in support 2016 Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump in the area of Castleton Corners on Staten Island, New York on Tuesday. LoBaido's 12-foot-high 'T' was set on fire by unidentified arsonists on August 7. Lobaido created a brand new statue that stands in the yard belonging to Trump supporter Sam Pirozzolo. GETTY IMAGES

Trump underspends Clinton on TV ads, relying on social media

Adding the money laid out by outside groups supporting the candidates, the Clinton camp has spent $91M on ads versus $8M by Trump and his supporters, NBC News said.

Republican Donald Trump, a former reality TV star, has yet to spend a dime on television advertising for his White House campaign against Democratic rival Hillary Clinton, who has spent $52 million, NBC News said on Tuesday.

"Nearly $100 million has been spent on general-election TV advertisements in the presidential race since the primary season ended, but Donald Trump's campaign still hasn't spent a single cent on one of them," it said.

One group supporting Trump — the Rebuilding America Now PAC led by Florida Gov. Rick Scott — said it was rolling out an anti-Clinton ad on cable and local television stations in Ohio, Florida and North Carolina this week.

While the New York businessman has not bought ads on ABC, CBS or NBC, which aired his reality show "The Apprentice," he has successfully used social media to reach the masses.

He frequently posts to his Facebook page and on Twitter, and posts in turn are liked and shared countless times, earning Trump a free form of advertising.

A study by media analytics firm mediaQuant placing monetary values on social media mentions estimates Trump is benefiting from about $2 billion in free media so far. That figure is expected to rise to $5 billion by the Nov. 8 election. REUTERS

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Photos suggest China built reinforced hangars on disputed islands

Satellite photographs taken in late July show China appears to have built reinforced aircraft hangars on its holdings in disputed South China Sea islands, a Washington-based research group said.

The hangars on Fiery Cross, Subi and Mischief reefs in the Spratly Islands have room for any fighter jet in the Chinese air force, the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) said in a report on the photographs.

The images have emerged about a month after an international court in The Hague ruled against China's claims in the resource-rich area, a decision rejected by Beijing. China claims most of the South China Sea, through which $5 trillion in ship-borne trade passes every year. The Philippines, Vietnam, Malaysia, Taiwan and Brunei have overlapping claims.

DigitalGlobe imagery of the Subi Reef in the South China Sea, a part of the Spratly Islands group. PHOTO DIGITALGLOBE VIA GETTY IMAGES.

The United States has urged China and other claimants not to militarize their holdings in the South China Sea.

CSIS said that apart from a brief visit to Fiery Cross Reef by a military transport plane earlier in the year, "there is no evidence that Beijing has deployed military aircraft to these outposts."

The rapid construction of the hangars, however, "indicates that this is likely to change."

A U.S. defense official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said it was unlikely the hangers would be used for civilian purposes.

"It's not like the hangers are for mail planes, they are likely for jets," the official said.

The official added, however, that the Chinese move was seen as skirting around the line rather than crossing it, and there would be increased concern if China actually moved in military aircraft and started using a reef as a forward operating base.

China has repeatedly denied doing so and has in turn criticized U.S. patrols and exercises for ramping up tensions.

"China has indisputable sovereignty over the Spratly Islands and nearby waters," China's Defence Ministry said in a faxed response to a request for comment on Tuesday.

"China has said many times, construction on the Spratly Islands and reefs is multipurpose, mixed, and with the exception of necessary military defensive requirements, are more for serving all forms of civil needs."

The hangars all show signs of structural strengthening, CSIS said. The new images were first reported by the New York Times.

Other facilities including unidentified towers and hexagonal structures have also been built on the islets in recent months, CSIS said. REUTERS

BRIEF

Putin and Erdogan move toward repairing ties amid tension with West

Russia and Turkey took a big step toward normalizing relations, with their leaders announcing an acceleration in trade and energy ties at a time when both countries have troubled economies and strains with the West.

President Vladimir Putin received his Turkish counterpart Tayyip Erdogan in a Tsarist-era palace outside his home city of St. Petersburg. It was Erdogan's first foreign trip since last month's failed military coup, which left Turkey's relationship with the U.S. and Europe badly damaged.

The visit is being closely watched in the West, where some fear both men, powerful leaders ill-disposed to dissent, might use their rapprochement to exert pressure on Washington and the European Union and stir tensions within NATO, the military alliance of which Turkey is a member.

Putin said Moscow would gradually phase out sanctions against Ankara, imposed after the Turks shot down a Russian fighter jet near the Syrian border nine months ago, and that bringing ties to their precrisis level was the priority. REUTERS

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Trump flops with Silicon Valley donors; Clinton falls short, too

When Hewlett Packard Enterprise CEO Meg Whitman announced last week that she wouldn't vote for her party's presidential nominee, Donald Trump, she pledged to raise money for the Democratic candidate, Hillary Clinton, and to urge like-minded Republicans to follow suit.

She won't have to talk her fellow tech industry conservatives into spurning Trump: They already have. His campaign has pulled in less than 6 percent of what Republican nominee Mitt Romney had raised from tech donors by this point in the 2012 race.

But raising money for Clinton may prove difficult. While the Democrat has raised 25 times more than Trump from tech donors so far, she has drawn less than half of what President Barack Obama had raised from tech employees by this point four years ago, and less than Bernie Sanders, her opponent in the Democratic primary, collected before he left the race.

Tech industry employees — long a reliable source of presidential donations, especially for Democrats — have refused to open their wallets for Trump, and they've been stingier than usual with Clinton, too, according to an analysis performed for Reuters by Crowdpac, a nonpartisan political crowdfunding startup that analyzes campaign contribution data.

Trump and Clinton together reported having received $3.5 million from tech workers as of June 30, compared with $11 million donated to President Barack Obama and his Republican rival Mitt Romney through June 2012, according to the Crowdpac analysis. In 2008, more than $8.3 million in tech donations had gone to Obama and Sen. John McCain by June 30. REUTERS

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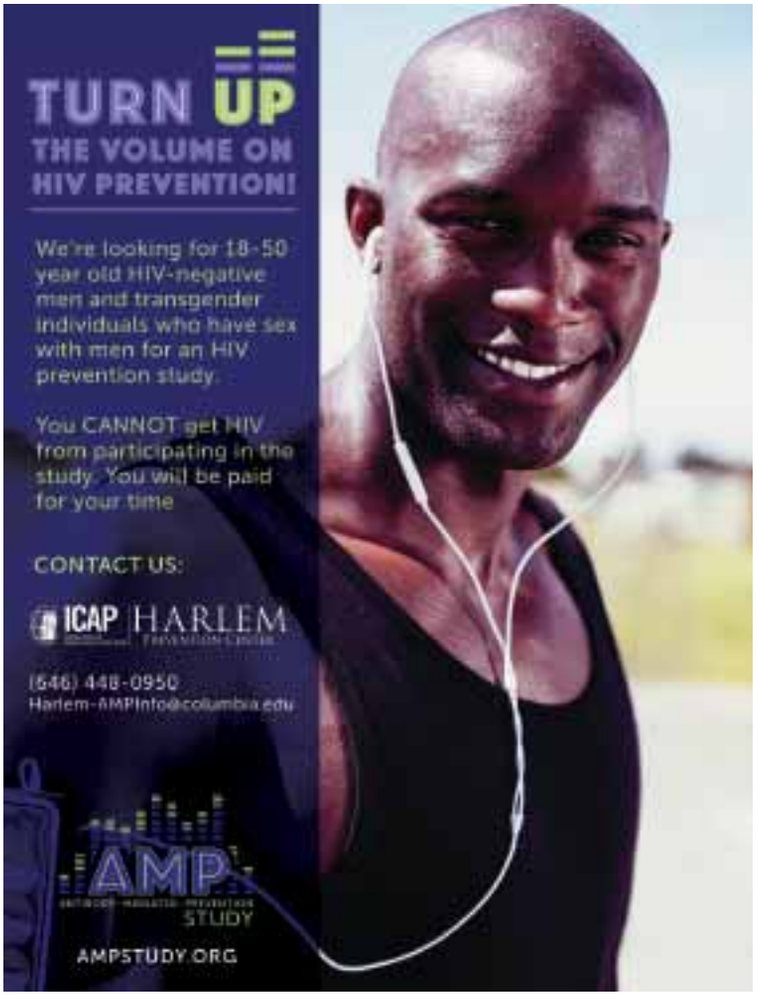
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Clinton extends lead over Trump to 7 points

The shift came as Trump struggled to reset his campaign following a stretch of controversies.

Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton's lead over Republican rival Donald Trump increased to more than 7 percentage points in a Reuters/Ipsos poll released on Tuesday, from less than 3 points on Thursday.

About 42 percent of likely voters favored Clinton and about 35 percent preferred Trump, according to the Aug. 4-8 online poll of 1,152 likely voters, which had a credibility interval of plus or minus 3 percentage points. The others would either pick another candidate, would not vote or "don't know/refused."

The results reflected a decline in support for Trump, rather than a boost for Clinton: In last Thursday's poll, 42 percent of likely voters favored Clinton and about 39 percent favored Trump.

Among registered voters over the same period, Clinton held a lead of nearly 13 percentage points, up from about 5 percentage points on Thursday, according to the poll.

The five-day survey concluded on a mixed day for the Trump campaign. After squabbles last week with party leaders and the parents of a Muslim American soldier killed in Iraq, Trump sought to turn the page with a speech outlining an economic platform of tax breaks and regulatory rollbacks.

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Out-of-control wildfire grows, forces closures

More than 900 firefighters were battling the so-called Pilot fire, which has charred some 7,500 acres of bone-dry tinder and brush in the San Bernardino Mountains since it broke out on Sunday.

A wildfire burning out of control in mountains and foothills east of Los Angeles mushroomed more than 50 percent overnight, forcing authorities to order three school districts to cancel classes due to heavy smoke and dangerous conditions.

"We feel it is in the best interest of safety that we keep our students and staff at home," the Silver Valley Unified School District, which oversees nine schools in Mojave Desert, said in a statement on its website.

Also closing campuses on Tuesday were the Apple Valley and Hesperia school districts in those high desert communities some 90 miles east of Los Angeles.

More than 5,000 homes were under evacuation orders from the Pilot fire, a highway and several roads were closed and smoke advisories were issued for the Mojave Desert area, according to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire).

No homes had been destroyed but Cal Fire said the blaze was only 6 percent contained as of Tuesday morning.

Some 400 miles to the north, the famed Highway 1 along the California coast was reopened to residents, one day after authorities were forced to close it in both directions due to the threat from the Soberanes fire.

That blaze, which erupted on July 22, has already blackened 67,000 acres in the Big Sur area, destroying 57 homes and 11 outbuildings. REUTERS

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Florida has four new locally transmitted Zika cases, Congress must act on funds

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The additional cases are all in a one-square-mile area in Miami-Dade County that includes Miami's Wynwood district, Scott said, bringing the total of locally transmitted cases in the state to 21.

"Every day that passes that Congress and the president fail to come to an agreement hinders our national response to Zika," Scott said in a statement. "The federal government must stop playing politics and Congress needs to immediately come back to session to resolve this." REUTERS

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Deadly spiders and scorpions join fight against superbugs

Experts have warned since the 1990s that lethal superbugs were on the horizon, but few drugmakers have attempted to develop drugs against them.

A British lab is searching for new medicines in the poisonous secretions of some of the world's deadliest creatures, addressing the increasingly desperate challenge of finding viable new drugs.

Over-prescription and over-use in farming of antibiotics has given rise to so-called superbugs, multi-drug resistant infections that can evade even the medicines designed to kill them.

Venomtech, based in southeast England, believe help could be found in the unlikeliest of sources: the venom of spiders, scorpions and snakes that is often fatal to humans. Millions of years of evolution has given these creatures' venom the ability to target and attack their prey while avoiding the body's defenses. Venomtech scientists hope that an injected drug could perform the same function.

When broken down at the molecular level, a tiny droplet of venom contains hundreds of individual components that could eventually be made into new drugs, explained Venomtech founder Steven Trim.

"The principle of Venomtech is separating venoms out into their component parts and targeting them to the right disease area," Trim told Reuters.

He added that his drug discovery team was "putting the right venom for the right drug target so we maximize the hits — and a hit is an interesting peptide that might make it to a drug."

Black widow spider
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Around 400 animals are kept at his lab in Kent, including about 70 species of tarantula and 30 species of scorpion. Many of these kill their prey with venoms that contain hundreds of protein molecules, some of which block nerve activity. Venomtech keep a number of invertebrates which can be deadly to humans, namely the black widow spider and deathstalker scorpion.

Trim, who worked for pharmaceutical company Pfizer before founding Venomtech, stressed that the venom extraction process causes no discernible harm to the creatures.

"We anesthetize the invertebrates, just to temporarily put them to sleep, it makes it safer for us because if they're immobile they can't bite us. But also it's better for the animals as well. And using a very tiny electrical stimulation, just to contract the muscle and squeeze the gland we get a small amount of venom produced," he said.

The venom extracted from each creature can be measured in microliters; a thousandth of a milliliter. Nevertheless, this tiny volume holds hundreds of useful molecules. "The average scorpion will only produce 2 or 3 microliters. So it's a really small amount. But in that small amount there's a lot of interesting peptides; several hundred different components and several micrograms of protein in there, so there's plenty for us to work with," Trim said.

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Baby Boomers May Avoid Knee Surgery With Modern Arthritis Treatments

Doctors say these two factors are the keys to knee arthritis treatment success and relieving pain without surgery

By Matt Edgar

America's Health Writer

New York City - Everyone has said it at one time or another. If I had only known about "this" sooner - things would be very different today.

That's what many knee arthritis pain sufferers are saying about this technology and treatment.

"We all know that countless lives are being saved every year because of early detection and better treatment" noted the clinic director at the ***NY Pain MD*** in New York City. "*The same holds true for treating arthritis pain. I believe we are having so much success at* ***NY Pain MD*** *because of two factors: One is we are using advanced medical technology and treatments a lot of clinics do not use. And second, the word has spread to our community and so many knee arthritis sufferers are coming in sooner. And the earlier we can treat knee arthritis - the better the results. The key to trying to avoid knee replacement surgery is doing the correct treatment as soon as possibly"*

What is the "correct treatment?"

"That depends," said the director. *"There is no one answer when it comes to medical conditions. Knee arthritis is no different. That's why, if you have knee pain, you should have it evaluated by a doctor who deals with and treats knee pain every day,"* added the director.

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The director believes one of the most important factors for the success of viscosupplementation is making sure you are getting it into the joint space precisely. That's why the doctors at ***NY Pain MD*** use advanced imaging technology to apply *Precision Arthritis Targetin*g during every treatment.

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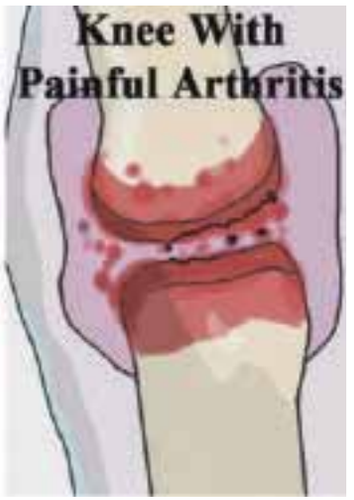
"If you have knee arthritis pain, viscosupplementation might be the answer you are looking for. The keys are to not wait, get a good evaluation from an expert and make sure precision arthritis targeting is used to make sure you have the best chance for success."

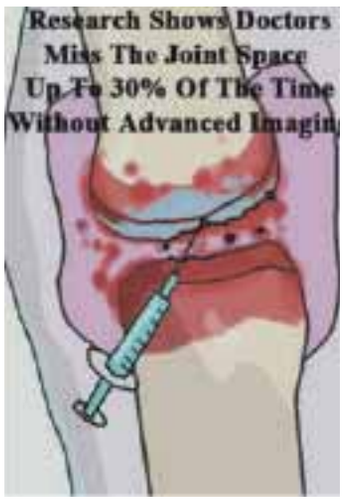
Can This Be Avoided? Total knee replacement is serious surgery requiring months of rehabilitation. Some doctors think modern treatments done early enough can keep baby boomers from going under the knife.

Everyone Wants Proof: In the artist simulated drawings above, picture #1 is a normal, pain-free knee. There is no arthritis and the knee can move and bend freely without pain.



Pain - The red is a knee joint with painful osteoarthritis. With progressive "drying out", arthritis causes the joint space to decrease and an array of symptoms which may include grinding, stiffness, decreased motion, bone spurs, swelling and a lot of pain.

Successful Treatment - Treatment (blue) being applied directly into the knee joint using Precision Arthritis Targeting Technology. Advanced imaging allows treatments to be as precise as possible. Viscosupplementation can lubricate the joint and decrease pain.



Failed Treatment - the medicine misses the joint space. Research shows this occurs up to 30% of the time without the use of Precision Arthritis Targeting Technology to guide the injection. This is why prior treatment may not have worked for you.

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Leslie Jones is going to the Olympics!

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After all the hullabaloo over the Rio Olympics being a possible apocalyptic death trap, with polluted water and potential muggings, they've been going pretty smoothly. Even better: Now they're getting Leslie Jones! The "Saturday Night Live" goddess and "Ghostbusters" scene-stealer turns out to be a massive Olympics nerd. She's even repurposed her Twitter feed away from battling racist trolls angry that she's in one of the summer's big movie reboots. Now it's entirely about videos of Olympic might paired with all-caps glee. Her outpouring was so intense that NBC has scooped her up. Later in the week she'll be down in Brazil, joining the on-air hosts in gushing about all the athletic prowess in Rio. That's good for NBC, too: Its coverage tends toward blandly inspirational stories of triumphs of the human spirit and that jazz. It needs someone like Leslie Jones to keep us awake when all it is is tennis matches.

Seth Rogen not totally mad, but still kind of mad at Katherine Heigl

"Sausage Party" star Seth Rogen went on Howard Stern this week to discuss his new film … and some of his old ones. In the course of the conversation, he unearthed the feud between himself and "Knocked Up" co-star Katherine Heigl.

"I thought she hated us," Rogen says of that "awkward" encounter between the two that Heigl described on the show months earlier. "Like, we made a movie, I was very proud of it. It was critically well-received and, financially, it's probably still my most successful movie. And then we just heard she didn't like it and she didn't have a good experience making it — as someone who was an egomaniac, I thought, 'Oh, she must f—g hate me.'"

Following the release of Judd Apatow's 2007 comedy, Heigl told Vanity Fair that she felt the movie was "a little sexist," saying "it paints the men as lovable, goofy, fun-loving guys… [while] I'm playing such a bitch." She went on to say she "loved "98 percent" of the experience, but found it hard to enjoy the movie.

Rogen clearly took her words to heart, noting the comments left his "trust feel[ing] very betrayed," and emphasizing his "open process" filmmaking, during which Heigl could have voiced an opinion on at any time.

Regardless, he'd still kick it with her again. "I would make a dozen movies with her," he said. "I would be whatever the s—ty version of Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan is. We had a great dynamic."

Tracy Morgan's second chance

The comedian says he feels "sharper" than ever. GETTY IMAGES

With a fresh start, the comedian won't hold back his humor.

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Tracy Morgan is a national treasure. If it wasn't always obvious, we were given a reminder last October when the "Saturday Night Live" veteran returned to its hallowed stage for an appearance many thought might never happen. A little over a year before then, Morgan had been involved in a horrific car cash, which took the life of one of his friends and left him terribly injured. But, in returning to "SNL" after a long recovery, it was clear that you can knock a man down, but you can't take away his funny.

Did you find there was a learning curve getting back into doing comedy?
I just had to wipe the rust off; my comedic instincts were still there [and] my timing was still there. I felt sharper, mentally, emotionally, spiritually — all of the things that go into being funny. It was like, I went to heaven, and I sharpened my sword with the kings of comedy. It was awesome.

Are you doing new material?
I'm not concerned with new material. Funny is still new. That was the gift that God gave me — the funny. The gift that God gave me wasn't the material; the gift that God gave me was the funny. Material is the world that we live in, and you have to inject your funny into it.

Speaking of that, the world isn't a very funny place right now. Do you have any thoughts on that?
I leave it all in God's hands. It's a sad thing and the country's grieving like 9/11, but this is all part of the plan. It has to be.

You don't do political stuff too much, but is it that something you touch on stage now?
No, I leave that to the politicians. I stay funny. There's nothing funny about what just happened in the country. I let the politicians deal with it. They started all this mess.

You just did a film with Ed Helms — what was that like? Are you finished filming?
We just finished it and it was beautiful. Ed Helms and the director, Dito [Montiel], those are my brothers in comedy. Everyone in that film was awesome. I hope you enjoy it, and laugh … and cry. I hope you have the emotions Jimmy Valvano said: laughing, and cry, all in one day. That's a hell of a day.

When talking about things we can all relate to, what types of things do you mean?
Pain, the laughter, the actions, everyday life, the struggle … the struggle, with life. The human character. I talk about the human condition.

Have you changed the way you approach life?
No, [I keep] injecting my humor into it. I never take it for granted, and any opportunity I have to make [people] laugh, I'll continue.

Do you feel like you've been given a second chance?
Yeah, God [gave me one]. The doctors gave me less than 2 percent chance of living, but God gave me a second chance to live.

Have you always been spiritual?
Always. My dad instilled it in me. I see no reason not to be.

We ask: Where the f— are the new Go-Go's?

As they approach their final tour (ever), drummer Gina Schock reflects on their 40-year career.

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After 38 years in the music industry, The Go-Go's are saying goodbye. Well, *just* to touring.

This summer, the band that wowed the 1980s with such hits as "We Got the Beat" and "Our Lips Are Sealed" is on its farewell tour. But we haven't heard the last of the Go-Go's, a Gwyneth Paltrow-produced musical, "Head Over Heels," which marries a 15th century story with the Go-Go's songs, is due to open on Broadway next year.

We spoke with drummer Gina Schock just before the first date of this final tour, and she was fired up.

It's days before the first gig of what will be your farewell tour. Does it feel any different to the lead up to any other tour?
I'm like a f—ing madwoman. It's crunch time; the pressure is on. It's cool; it's part of the job. We can do this.

Is this the end of the Go-Go's?
The musical should open next year. It's mind-blowing and gorgeous. We will continue to work together as projects come up. But this tour is the final tour.

Was putting together the last setlist tough?
We're doing a longer set than usual. We will be playing new songs — we will be playing our version of "Wrecking Ball." The arrangement is fantastic. We'll be doing some songs we haven't played since we wrote them in 1979. We're pulling out everything and seeing how it goes.

No city puts the famous on a pedestal quite like L.A., so being a young famous band in L.A. must have been amazing?
It was insane and beautiful at the same time. It was magical. I grew up dreaming of being a rock star. I drove to L.A. in my father's pickup truck with everything I owned. I am an American success story and proof that dreams can come true.

After 40 years, you're still called an all-girl rock group, not just a rock group. Does this show how little things have changed for women in the music business?
That doesn't bother us at all. The music business has gotten better for women. But we often talk about this and say, where are the new Go-Go's? Why hasn't that happened yet? That we are still the most successful all-girl group is what makes us wonder: Where the f— are they?

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A taste of the Olympics

You don't have to get on a plane to Rio this summer to eat some of Brazil's signature dishes.

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The 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro are set to kick off this month, but just because you can't make the cross-continent journey to Brazil doesn't mean missing out on the cuisine. Make a reservation at these Brazilian restaurants right here in your backyard, or order in for your Olympics viewing parties and pretend you're watching from Rio instead of your couch.

Beco

45 Richardson St.
This Williamsburg spot's name is short for *botecos*, traditional local neighborhood bars in Rio famous for their upbeat atmosphere and inexpensive food. Beco serves affordable breakfast, brunch, lunch and dinner, with options including the popular national dish *feijoada*, a pork and black bean stew. Stop by for happy hour Monday-Friday to appreciate their collection of South American wines and Brazilian beers.

Favela Grill

33-18 28th Ave.
This family-owned restaurant in Astoria has been a neighborhood favorite since opening in 2006. The menu is focused on simple ingredients that create the feel of a cozy home-cooked meal, Brazilian style. Comfort fare rules here — don't miss the feijoada, one of the city's best, and the *moqueca* fish stew — but they also offer grilled meats, seafood and pasta for a casual dinner out.

Market Ipanema

66 Kenmare St.
The fast-casual craze has brought Market Ipanema to Nolita, the Rio-based restaurant's first U.S. location. They are especially known for their mini tapioca crepes, which come in savory and sweet options. Other menu items include their Brazilian Acai Bowl flavored with cassava, a shrub native to South America, and *Pao de Queijo* — Brazilian cheese bread.

Brigadeiro Bakery

156 Sullivan St.
If you've got a sweet tooth, this Brazilian bakery in SoHo will satisfy it. Chef Mariana Vieira began her career by selling *brigadeiros*, the trufflelike Brazilian treats, out of her basement and now ships them all over the country. Try them in tons of different flavors, from traditional (chocolate, lemon) to seasonal (passion fruit) and crowd-pleasers (Oreo), or try a slice of brigadeiro cake.

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Beach Bistro 96's Carlos Varella and Andressa Junquiera FACEBOOK

Beach Bistro 96

95-19 Rockaway Beach Blvd.
As its name suggests, you'll find plenty of seaside ambiance at this Rockaway Beach spot in Queens. Brazilian husband and wife duo Carlos Varella and Andressa Junquiera keep it casual and fun here, with a menu full of affordable eats including *pasteis* (Brazil's version of stuffed pastry).

Fogo de Chão

40 W. 53rd St.
This ornate Midtown steakhouse is an outpost of a chain that started in Brazil, where meat is grilled churrasco-style on metal skewers over charcoal. Let them win you over to South America's preferred cut of beef with their signature *picanha* steak. The bar is notable for its extensive varieties of caipirinha, Brazil's national cocktail made with a sugarcane liquor called cachaça and lime.

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Anna Gunn takes charge

The actress talks about "Equity" and the hurdles women in power face.

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Anna Gunn plays an investment banker trying to protect her client in "Equity," now in theaters. SONY PICTURES CLASSICS; GETTY IMAGES

It's hard to believe "Equity" is not only Anna Gunn's first starring role since "Breaking Bad" ended, but her first starring role ever. The actress, 47, spent five seasons as Skyler, wife of chemistry teacher-turned-drug lord Walter White, on the monster hit AMC show. She bided her time looking for her big follow-up, until "Equity" offered a character of equal complexity: Naomi Bishop, an investment banker on Wall Street who tries to protect her latest client from a complicated scheme to undo their hard work.

Were you feeling particularly picky about what you did after "Breaking Bad"?
Absolutely. I felt I had been on such an extraordinary journey with extraordinary material. It opened a lot of doors; I wanted to make sure I walked through the right ones. I'd never come across a role this rich and complex, and where the character was at the forefront of the story. And the creators and conceivers were these two women. The director was a woman, the writer was a woman. It's obviously a very unusual situation, and long past due.

The film says a lot about what it's like to be a woman in power today.
I agree. In the research process — which I always say is one of my favorite parts about acting — I got to talk to Barbara Byrne, who is on Wall Street and is one of the film's investors. She gave me a wealth of information. One of the things she said is when you're a known commodity on Wall Street, you feel your gender more. Any time there's been something on the news [about her], she walks into the office and there's a sea of men. She thinks, "Are they talking about me? Is this going to put me in a bad position?" But she's a confident woman.

There's a parallel there with Hillary Clinton. There's so much negativity and criticism of her, but then you see how much she's done. People focus more on the negative side than the positive.
They certainly do. That's something women experience across the board in every profession. We're seeing [Clinton's] qualifications, her intellect, her policies, her track record. But everyone thinks, "Let's not focus on that, let's focus on the way she dresses or wears her hair." That's something Barbara said women have to think about a lot more than men. She picks out the color of her suit depending on the client she's dealing with. Maybe they're dealing with someone who prefers a pink suit. On another day you might need to wear that red power dress. That's something that doesn't come into play with men. People aren't tweeting and blogging about men's choice of suits the next day. [Laughs]

There's still a lot of pushback from certain types, who are, hopefully, the last bastions of a dying culture.
I certainly have seen that, from playing Skyler. [Laughs] That's why I wrote that op-ed [in The New York Times, about people voicing their hatred of Skyler], because I'd been asked about it a million times and I had tried to be diplomatic about it. Eventually I wanted to say what I wanted to say. I felt it was important, because I have two daughters and I want them to know that when they grow up and go on their way that if they have something to say, they should say it. Don't let anyone push you back. Keep moving forward with your goals.

You're not still getting angry messages from people watching "Breaking Bad," I hope.
No. I learned my lesson, which is you don't read that stuff. And by the way, no one ever came up to me and said the things they said on the internet. [Laughs]

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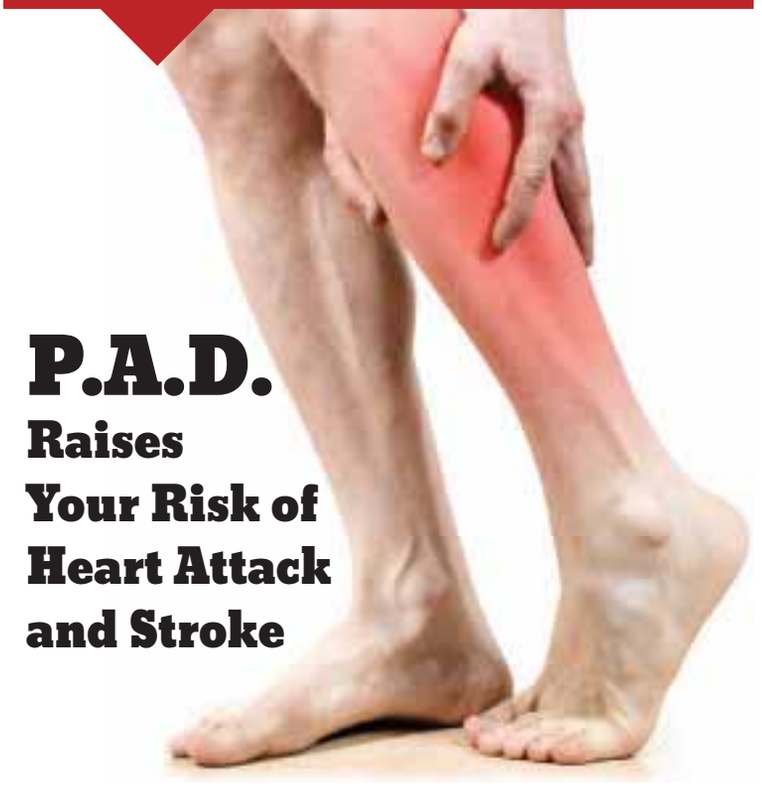

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Audiences flocked to see Margot Robbie's Harley Quinn in "Suicide Squad," but critics were nonplussed. WARNER BROS. PICTURES

No, critics didn't want to hate 'Suicide Squad'

JENNA BUSCH

Geek Girl in Hollywood

Jenna Busch takes on the way pop culture snubs its female fans. For more columns, visit metro.us/jenna-busch as well as her site, Legion of Leia. (legionofleia.com)

This week I want to talk about a little something called "Suicide Squad." I don't know who you are, but I'm guessing you had a strong reaction to seeing those words. Maybe you signed the petition to shut down Rotten Tomatoes because their aggregate of the reviews for the film don't give it a high score. Maybe you read original "Suicide Squad" comic creator John Ostrander's comments about how critics came in prepared to hate the movie. As someone who reviews films, whether in writing or on my podcast, let me clear something up: No one wants to hate a movie. I want to be pleasantly surprised when I go in. I'm not only willing to love it, despite what many of my colleagues said. I'm hoping that I do!

Just so you know, I purposely did not see the film before I wrote this. I'm going this week. What I want fans to understand is that, while some critics may not love comic book movies, most of the critics I know (and that is a lot of people) do. Those who don't might not get some of the deep dive comic nods or feel the connection to Harley Quinn that fans do. But we still review based on the quality of the film. A few bad reviews from a few reviewers who didn't get it are one thing. When a large portion of the critical population don't like something, there may be a kernel of truth in there. That, however doesn't mean it's awful or you aren't going to like it. Hell, I love Harley, the cast is amazing and, despite the reviews I read, I'm still excited to watch it!

As critics, most of us don't mind having an unpopular opinion, and since we are giving our opinions, we know that not everyone is going to agree. (My very first death threat came from a negative review of "Avatar." FYI, the death threat and numerous horrible comments were from people who hadn't seen the film since it wasn't out yet. On top of that, I gave it a seven out of 10.) I know this is part of my job. Hell, I've given good reviews to rom-coms, and I hate them. Hate. Them. That doesn't mean I'm going to review it negatively. We're looking at the quality of the film, not whether or not it's our very favorite subject for a movie.

Most of the critics I know are DC fans. I'm one of the biggest DC fans out there! All my Underoos were DC. I didn't like "Batman v Superman" at all, but that wasn't the plan going in. I would have loved to walk out happy. This does not mean you can't love it. I may hate "Suicide Squad." I may love it. It's fine if you disagree, but maybe let the anger at other opinions go. A petition, guys? Seriously? Sigh.

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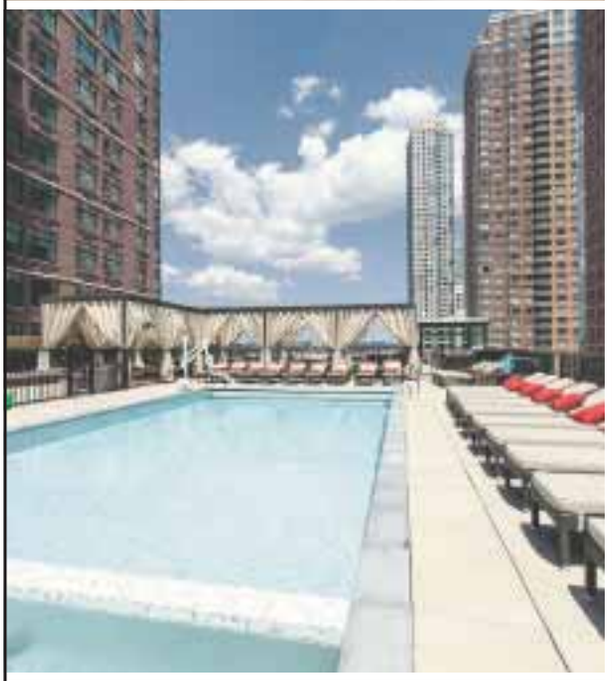

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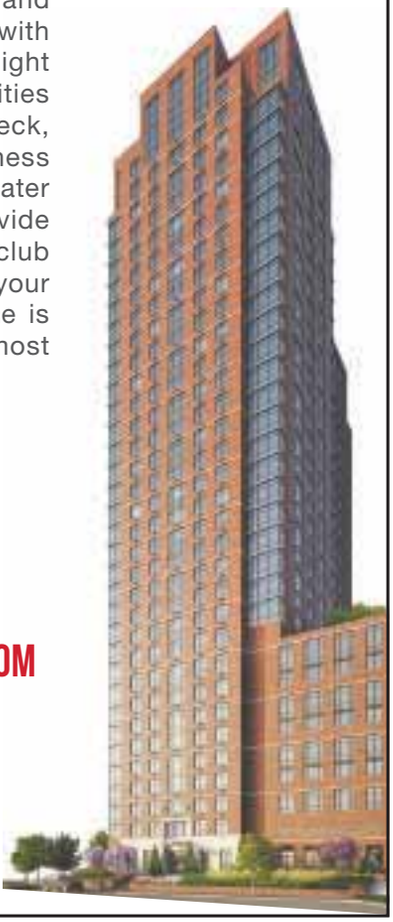

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LOVE WHERE YOU LIVE

Proximity to NYC and trendy dining are driving Manhattan, Brooklyn denizens across the Hudson to this booming town.

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Once an overlooked, run-down city west of the Hudson, Jersey City is now the fastest-growing metropolis in the state, according to NewJersey.com. As rents continue to rise in New York, Jersey City's proximity to Manhattan — and opportunity for more space at a better value — has transformed it into a destination for young families in the tri-state area.

Downtown is booming, with luxury high rise rentals going up like wildfire along the Hudson River waterfront. It's no surprise, considering it's less than 10 minutes from the Grove Street Path station to lower Manhattan. "Basically, Tribeca's in your backyard," says Brett Bacek, a licensed real estate agent for Nest Seekers International's Jersey City office.

The majority of his clients are families relocating from Brooklyn and Manhattan. "It's a great place to move in the interim," he says. "They don't want to make the conversion into the burbs yet, if at all, and they want the access to the city. They want enough space to be comfortable to live and also to be close to work."

Take Jaime Maser, owner of beauty PR firm Maser Communications. In June she moved with her husband from SoHo to Paulus Hook, a neighborhood in downtown JC, to start a family.

"We crossed the river ... and doubled the size in terms of space, going from a one bedroom/one bath to a three bedroom/two bath with laundry in the unit — huge when you have a newborn," says the new mom.

"It's the perfect steppingstone for us. We knew we weren't ready for the 'burbs, and Jersey City provides citylike creature comforts and vibes but in a much more doable way than Manhattan."

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Natalie Miniard

There's just one problem: For those looking to buy, rentals are more prevalent than condos, according to Natalie Miniard, owner of JCity Realty.

"Jersey City's done a great job—now everybody wants to stay, but unfortunately, the ownership opportunities are few and far between," she says. "We're losing a lot of great people to the 'burbs, not because they necessarily want to move there, but because they don't really have too many options [to buy] in the area."

Although there are 7,000 new housing units set to come on the market in Jersey City, "only about 1,200 will be condominiums. The rest are rentals," says Martin Brady, the executive VP of sales and leasing at the Marketing Directors, a property management consultancy.

But the influx across the river won't stop any time soon, especially with the impending L train closure, says Bacek: "To pay $4,000/month rent in Brooklyn to have to take the bus to work isn't very sexy."

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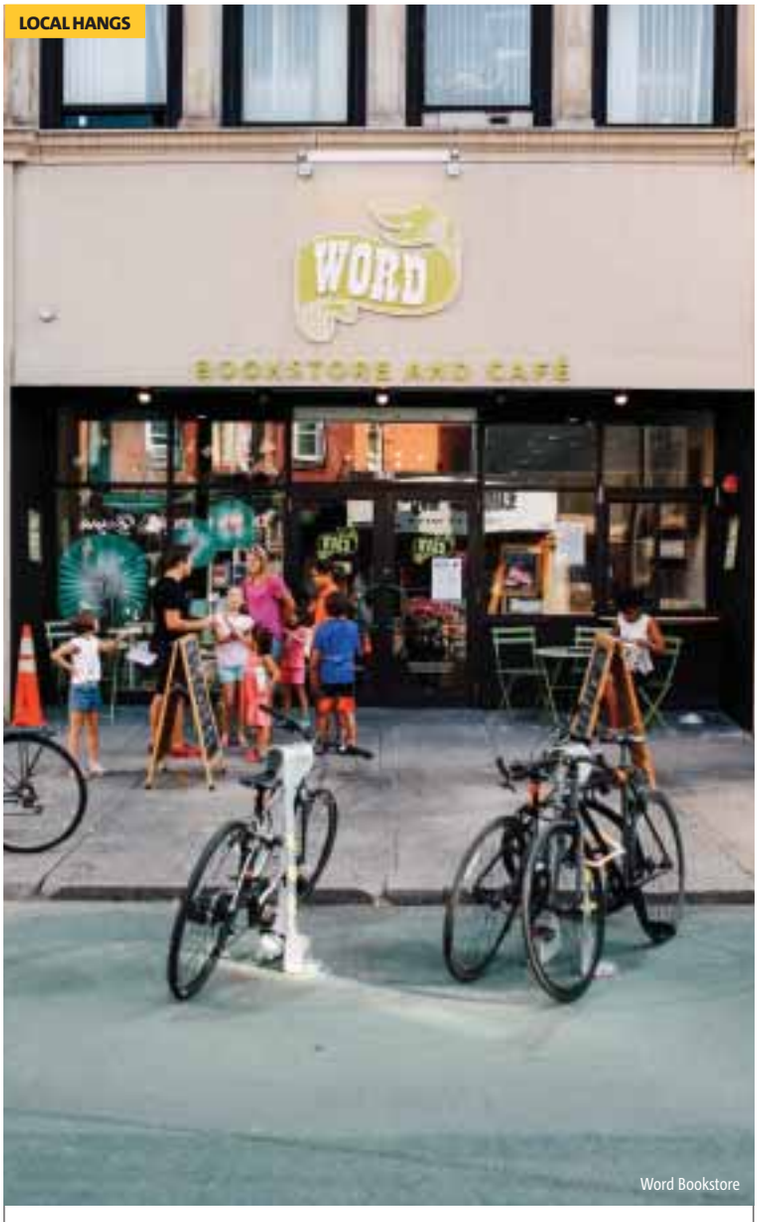

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				4 people	$36,549 - $54,360
3 bedroom	$963	2	→	3 people	$34,869 - $40,800
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				4 people	$42,378 - $54,360
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513 W. 142nd St. DOUGLAS ELLIMAN

Inside Look: Hamilton Heights townhouses

These homes have been renovated, yet still maintain historic details like original fireplaces.

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469 W. 143rd St. DOUGLAS ELLIMAN

"Hamilton" is more than the hottest musical on Broadway—it's also an Upper Manhattan neighborhood earning buzz for its spacious apartments and rich history.

Hamilton Heights' boundaries go east to west from Edgecombe Avenue to Henry Hudson Parkway, and north to south from 155th to 135th streets. Notable sites include the City College of New York, Dance Theatre of Harlem, Harlem School of the Arts, Aaron Davis Hall and Riverbank State Park. "Hamilton" fans can also visit the founding father's home — Hamilton Grange — at 414 West 141st St.

Architecture in the neighborhood ranges from Gothic buildings, to Romanesque arches and terra-cotta details, according to StreetEasy, which puts the area's average price per square foot at $637, as much as $300 lower than nearby Harlem and Washington Heights.

Here are three townhouses that still cost millions, but offer the space and details that make Hamilton Heights the happening place for real estate.

513 W. 142nd St.

This townhouse features a one-bedroom apartment, which leads into the garden, and a triplex is connected to the cellar via a private entrance. The home, listed for $4,795,000, has been recently renovated to include "crisp, clean lines, subtle colors and natural oak floors." Additional details of the four-bedroom, four-bath include 11-foot ceilings and three decorative fireplaces.

469 W. 143rd St.

Built in 1895, this home is one of five limestone buildings on 143rd Street by architect Clarence True. His homes were also known for their "graceful low stoops." This five-story townhouse, listed for $4,795,000, was recently renovated. The home retains pocket doors and mahogany paneling but has a modern kitchen and media room. Inside there are four bedrooms, six bathrooms and four fireplaces.

607 W. 147th St.

The restoration of this townhouse included maintaining not only the original woodwork, but its eight original fireplaces and the preservation of their turn-of-century tile work. Listed for $3,250,000, the four-bedroom, four-bath home has a main kitchen with top-of-the-line stainless appliances and a summer kitchen and breakfast area that can be accessed from the backyard. There is also a tiled roof deck with views of the Hudson.

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Stay away from guys like Cam Newton, at least in the early rounds of your draft. GETTY IMAGES

Cam Newton, Aaron Rodgers and Russell Wilson are elite NFL quarterbacks. Using an early- or even midround fantasy pick on them is a high-level mistake.

If you're in a standard one-QB league, which awards at least a half-point for a reception and only four points for a passing TD, employing a late-round quarterback strategy will yield a lot of rewards. First of all, we will stack up depth at positions where injuries are far more frequent and bust rates are far higher. Additionally, quarterback production is relatively predictable compared to other positions. And most important, there is way more supply at the quarterback position than demand: 21 quarterbacks outscored the No. 2 RB (Adrian Peterson) last season and the difference between the No. 24 QB (Ryan Tannehill) vs. the No. 2 QB (Tom Brady) was a mere 5.0 fantasy points per game.

Once you commit to waiting as long as possible for your quarterback, your draft plan will clear up quickly. Here are some QBs available late in drafts with big upside:

We like that

In the 24 games Kirk Cousins has started and finished, he's averaged 279.8 passing yards per game. That would be good for second all-time, behind only Drew Brees. Cousins has gone over 300 yards passing 12 times in his 26 career starts, a rate that's better than Peyton Manning, Brees and Aaron Rodgers. So even though Cousins will throw interceptions, they'll quickly become water under the bridge as he racks up stats via DeSean Jackson, Jordan Reed, Pierre Garcon and Josh Doctson. He's a serious candidate to lead the NFL in passing yards yet he's consistently available in Round 11 or 12 of fantasy drafts.

Remember the running

Marcus Mariota averaged 0.51 fantasy points per dropback last year, eight-best in the league and a better rate than Blake Bortles, Drew Brees, Eli Manning and Ben Roethlisberger. He did it despite averaging just 2.8 rushes per game as the Titans tried to protect their investment. With Mariota's knees healthy and Mike Mularkey taking over on a full-time basis, we can expect more designed and improvised runs from the quarterback position. Mariota also quietly has a very high ceiling with his arm, as evidenced by four 3-TD games among the 12 he started as a rookie last year.

Bob and Brock

Brock Osweiler landed in an ideal situation with the Texans. He'll be coached by QB guru Bill O'Brien, who made Christian Hackenberg look like one of the best players in the country as a true freshman at Penn State and made Brian Hoyer fantasy viable. Osweiler will operate in one of the league's fastest-paced offenses and have serious weaponry with DeAndre Hopkins/Will Fuller/Jaelen Strong. And finally, Osweiler will get six games against the leaky defenses of the Jags, Titans and Colts. It's a streamer's delight.

NFL sleepers of the week

Each week, we will identify three players worth taking a shot on late in fantasy drafts:

1. Sammie Coates, WR, Steelers – A physical freak who has made huge strides entering his second NFL season. It's perfect timing with Martavis Bryant suspended for the entire season, Le'Veon Bell suspended four games and Markus Wheaton continuing to underwhelm.

2. Bruce Ellington, WR, 49ers – Has the inside track on the No. 2 WR job in Chip Kelly's breakneck-paced offense.

3. Darren Sproles, RB, Eagles – Elite pass-catching back is quietly getting first-team reps on a team with very little quality at the wideout position.

NFL news

Reports out of Giants camp have two wideouts heading two different directions. Veteran Victor Cruz continues to struggle off the brutal patellar tear he sustained two seasons ago. Meanwhile, rookie Sterling Shepard has been the star of camp as he careens toward an every-down role opposite Odell Beckham. Shepard is a legit candidate for 70+ catches as a rookie.

Jets won't back down from anyone

The New York Jets are in a fighting mood, and head coach Todd Bowles couldn't be more thrilled.

As the AFC East is seemingly wide open, the Jets have the look of the division's new bully. No one is crowning them yet, and the New England Patriots are still the clear front-runners, but it doesn't sound so insane anymore to say that Gang Green is a legitimate threat to the Patriots' reign.

New York was a Ryan Fitzpatrick Buffalo-flameout away from making the playoffs, last season. And while there's no guarantee that it won't happen again at the most inopportune time, Fitzpatrick is still the team's best shot under center and had the type of season last year that was comparable to even Tom Brady.

The Jets have gone through camp this year with a certain swagger. Perhaps it's due to the fact that they've returned almost every key player from their 10-6 squad. The swagger, mixed with an infusion of talent, plus the ornery nature of its two best players, wideout Brandon Marshall and cornerback Darrelle Revis, is a great blend.

Bowles noted after the duo's much-publicized fight that he "loved" it. The Jets are trying to brandish a trademark of being the division's newest bully. They are the best threat to New England, considering the Miami Dolphins are seemingly stuck in the 7-9, 8-8 zone, and the Buffalo Bills talk a great game, thanks to blustery head coach Rex Ryan, but have yet to back his bravado.

Gang Green's players have certainly attached themselves to their head coach's quiet confidence, and also think the raised aggression is a good thing.

"We see it all as good competition. It's football. There's going to be some tension," said second-year defensive tackle Leonard Williams, who added that he actually enjoyed the competitive tone that Marshall and Revis set. "I think it's sparked a fire in us. Seeing guys who have been here for so many years and still going so hard in practice is uplifting. Everybody is going faster and playing more physical … so, we actually see it as a good thing." TONY WILLIAMS

Darrelle Revis again brings the swagger to the Jets' defense. GETTY IMAGES

Neil Walker has been on a torrid pace of late. GETTY IMAGES

Does Walker fit into Mets' overall plan?

Neil Walker has been on a tear of late but his future is murky.

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The Mets have suffered a litany of injuries this season, but one everyday player who's managed to stay healthy is Neil Walker. That Walker has now gone on a hot streak as the Mets lost their best hitter, Yoenis Cespedes, to the disabled list just goes to show how crucial Walker could be to the Mets' immediate future.

Walker was benched for two games on July 24 and 26 by Terry Collins, but since he returned, Walker has tallied at least one hit in 11 of his last 13 games, and has seven multihit games in that span. Walker has even provided some late-inning heroics, hitting late-inning go-ahead homers against Colorado (July 31) and Detroit (Aug. 7).

Walker, hitting .367 through the first seven games of August, chalks up his resurgence from a 4-for-45 July dry spell to a mandated "mental re-start" from Collins.

"[I'm] working on timing more than anything else," Walker told the New York Post. "Timing and rhythm and trying to get back to the big part of the field. Getting some extra work in the cage … taking a couple of days mentally to hit restart and get back to work."

"He just needed a break," Collins told reporters recently. "Mental fatigue can lead to physical fatigue. Even though [players] think they're not tired … they are tired."

Walker has been a catalyst for the Mets all season long, hitting .268 with 19 home runs and 49 RBIs. He'd love to take those numbers to the negotiating table, which will make Sandy Alderson's job that much harder. At age 30, Walker will probably be looking for a lucrative, multiyear extension, something that may be difficult for the Mets to hand out as they have other pressing matters to attend to (Travis d'Arnaud, Jacob deGrom, Jeurys Familia, Wilmer Flores, and Addison Reed are all arbitration-eligible this offseason). Per MLBtraderumors.com, Walker could be seeking "a Chase Headley contract" (four years, $52 million) as the 2017 free agent pool is comparatively weak.

The Mets' recent deal for Jay Bruce cost them Dilson Herrera, the presumed second baseman of the future, so now the team has one less option to turn to next season should Walker leave town. Amed Rosario, the highly-regarded Mets shortstop prospect, will probably not be part of the big-league club next season. That leaves the Mets with Wilmer Flores, Asdrubal Cabrera, Matt Reynolds and Jose Reyes (club option for 2017) as the most realistic possibilities for the middle infield positions beyond Walker next season.

Walker, who expressed trepidation about playing in New York after leaving his hometown Pittsburgh Pirates via trade last winter, has done a 180 and could see himself back with the Mets next year.

"I love my teammates, the coaches and all the people here," he told the Daily News. "I could not be more excited about this team and its future."

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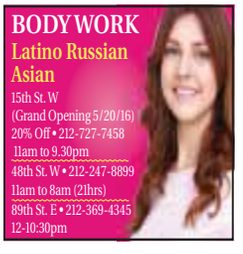

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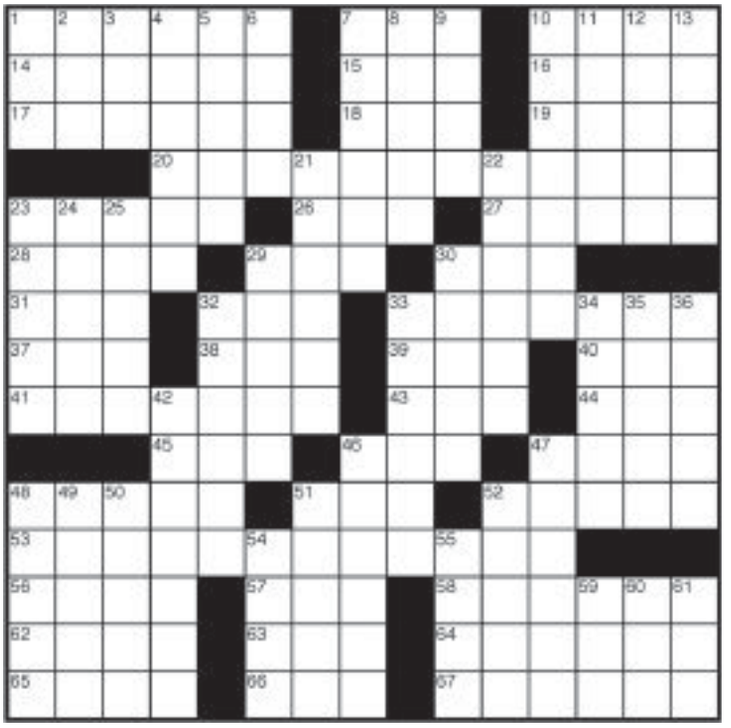

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Taurus Do whatever feels right. It's a good time to turn an idea into a going concern. Make plans to celebrate with someone you love. Playtime will ease stress.

Gemini Proceed with caution. Get information firsthand. If you rely on someone else, you will be disappointed. It's up to you to bring about positive change.

Cancer The lifestyle changes you make will encourage you to get back to the people and activities that you enjoy the most. Set the stage for a romantic interlude or a fun-filled day.

Leo Emotions will surface, causing problems at home if you aren't cognizant of what those around you want. Do your best to please others without ignoring your needs.

Virgo Don't leave anything to chance. Make domestic changes and use your money wisely. Compassion and understanding are sufficient when dealing with outsiders.

Libra Get your chores out of the way and make the adjustments that will ensure you get to do something enjoyable before the end of the day. Don't divulge a secret.

Scorpio Set the standard. Share your intentions and move forward with or without the help of others. Trust and believe in yourself and your talents.

Sagittarius Refuse to let anyone guilt you into doing things you don't want to do. Arguing is a waste of time. If you don't like something or someone, walk away. Work on self-improvement.

Capricorn Listen to any tips or suggestions being offered in order to find a unique way to deal with a perplexing situation. Your timing will be uncanny. Love is in the stars.

Aquarius Keep an open mind, but don't let anyone use emotional manipulation on you. If something doesn't feel right, do your own thing. Personal change will lead to interesting results.

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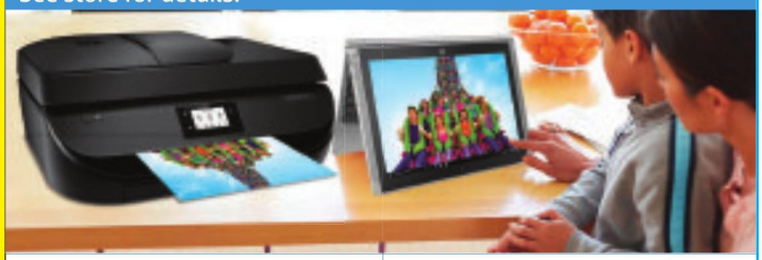

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